



One of the modules offloaded from a container ship at the Kiunga port before being transported to the hotel site. – Picture courtesy of OTDF

New Cassowary hotel modules arriving at site

MODULES of the new Cassowary Hotel in Kiunga, Western, have been shipped to the Kiunga port and transported to the hotel site, according to the Ok Tedi Development Foundation.

It said civil construction works had started and construction would

begin when the 99 modules had been shipped to Kiunga.

"The hotel is another major trust investment of the Community Mine Continuation Agreement communities, which will also provide employment and spin-off business opportunities for the CMCA as well as

non-CMCA people. "The 58-room hotel, to be an architecturally iconic building for the province, will fill a gap in the higher end business traveller market. It will be a catalyst for tourism and is expected to attract commerce through related service industries."

The hotel will be built by The George Group and is expected to be completed by the end of 2017.

According to OTDF, the hotel project is valued at K27 million and would generate a minimum annual eight percent return on investment to the CMCA Trusts.